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Selectmen's Report.

We the subscribers, SELECTMEN of the town of TROY, submit the following report:

AMOUNT OF MONEY APPORTIONED THE SEVERAL HIGHWAY SURVEYORS FOR THE REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS,

FOR THE YEAR 1879.

District No. 1, Henry W. Farrar, Surveyor,	$ 27 24
" " 2, Alanson Starkey, "	49 44
" " 3, Ezekiel Starkey, "	23 30
" " 4, Eri J. Spaulding, "	31 33
" " 5, Oliver P. Whitcomb, "	54 79
" " 6, Alva S. Clark, "	71 46
" " 7, Luke C. Clark, "	25 88
" " 8, Benjamin F. Harris, "	23 48
" " 9, James R. Stanley, "	33 96
" " 10, Walter Elliot, "	49 77
" " 11, Joseph M. Foster, "	53 87
" " 12, Luther Whittemore, "	26 04
Non-resident highway tax, charged to collector,	148 86
	$ 619 42

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR SCHOOLS

IN THE YEAR 1879.

Assessed for the year 1879,	$ 839 23	
Literary fund from State,	77 70	
Interest on School fund note,	24 00	$ 940 93
Amount unexpended in 1878,		304 85
		1245 78

DIVISION OF SCHOOL MONEY FOR 1879.

District No. 1, Amount apportioned,	$ 659 49	
Due from 1878.	237 95	$ 897 44
" 2, Amount apportioned,	66 82	
Due from 1877,	16 88	83 70
" 3, Amount apportioned,		94 67
" 4, Amount apportioned,	116 85	
Due from 1878,	50 02	166 87
George Damon, school tax paid in Fitzwilliam,		3 10
		1245 73

AMOUNT OF MONEY EXPENDED.

District No. 1, H. W. Farrar, Committee,	823 00	
State map,	5 00	828 00
" 2, Luke C. Clark, "		80 00
" 3, Edmund Bemis, "	89 67	
State map,	5 00	94 67
" 4, Stillman Taylor, "	145 00	
State map.	5 00	150 00
George Damon, school tax paid to Fitzwilliam,		3 10
		1155 77

STATE AND COUNTY TAX PAID.

State Tax,	$ 948 00
County Tax,	783 13
	17 1 13

EXPENSES OF TOWN POOR.

Paid Francis Stone for boarding and nursing Lizzie V. Harrington and child,	93 05
" E. P. Kimball & Co. for goods delivered to Mrs. Edward Jones,	2 00
	95 05

COUNTY POOR BILLS PAID.

Paid Levi Merrifield for boarding and nursing Caroline Alexander,	80 71
" Mary M. Whittemore for boarding and nursing Hannah Putney,	39 14
" Simeon Merrifield for boarding and nursing Maria Wyman,	63 38
	183 23

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid L. W. Brown services of firemen for 1879,	$96 00
" L. W. Brown for extra services of firemen for 1879,	5 81
" James Capron for repairing hose,	3 50
	105 31

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Luther Whittemore for stone for sluice,	10 00
" Lovel P. Butler for work on highway,	1 08
" Lyman K. Wheeler for bridge plank,	33 75
" J. M Foster for work on sluice,	10 00
" A. G. Lawrence work on highway,	3 05
" E. S. Foster work on highway Dist. No. 11,	6 66
" James R. Stanley work on highway,	22 28
" Edmund Bemis for drawing bridge stringers and work on road,	14 36
" Daniel P. Adams for bridge stringers,	10 00
" Oliver P. Whitcomb for work on highway in Dist. No 5,	8 88
" W G. & R. M. Silsby for work on highway,	8 55
" Henry Grimes, for work on sluice,	5 01
" E. P Kimball, work on highway in 1879,	2 69
" Ezekiel Starkey, " "	7 69
" Amos H. Ingalls, " "	2 08
" A. S. Clark, " "	9 35
" Nathan Putney, non-resident highway tax worked,	1 32
" John T. Leonardson, work on highway,	1 08
" Henry W Farrar, " highways and bridges,	34 29
" John Lang, " "	1 44
" David W. Farrar, stone for sluice,	5 00
" James R Stanley, work on highway,	1 20
" Edmund Bemis, for bridge stringers,	1 50
" J. M. Foster, work on road in Dist. No. 5,	2 00
" E. Buttrick & Co., lumber for bridge,	2 02
" J. M Foster, work on road in Dist. No. 11,	14 52
" Alanson Starkey, work on road,	8 89
	228 64

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid C. G. Lang, 1878—9	1 50
" Jos. Mayett, "	2 16
" John Sullivan, "	3 36
" Joseph Haskell, 1879,	13 28

Paid Ira G. Starkey,	1879,	$ 2 85
" H. Parker,	"	6 68
" John W. Coulter,	"	5 64
" Matthew Wilson,	"	60
" Thos. W. Starkey,	"	1 26
" David P. Lowe,	1878-9	2 83
" Luke C. Clark,	"	4 50
" Francis L. Clark,	"	1 69
" William N. Watson,	1879,	9 65
" E. F. Farr,	"	5 22
" Jos. E. Lawrence,	"	3 06
" Luther Whittemore,	"	1 94
" Charles D. Farrar,	"	2 88
" John W. Coulter,	1878,	1 35
" James R. Stanley,	1879,	3 15
" A. S. Clark,	"	1 95
" H. W. Farrar,	"	5 04
" Wm. A. Harris,	"	45
		81 04

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Elliott Whitcomb, tax abated, assessed in 1878,	26 29
Matthew J. Coulter, Dog tax abated, no dog,	1 00
J. E. Royes, assessed in 1879,	2 11
Edwin M. Jones, " "	1 53
Charles H. Gove, " "	1 11
John T. Leonardson,	2 43
Henry Ward,	1 11
Edwin H. Streeter,	3 11
Fred Carter,	1 11
George Oakes, paid tax in Keene,	1 08
Franklin Woodward, assessed in 1874,	1 69
Henry Cobb, " "	1 67
	44 24

SUNDRY TOWN BILLS.

Paid George Thatcher, for patent road scraper,	60 00
" Sentinel Printing Co., printing town report,	22 00
" Carlos M. Barnard, watering trough, 1878,	3 00
" George Damon, " " "	2 00
" A. R. & E. S. Foster, lumber for school room.	22 80
" A. H. Ingalls, lumber and paper, " "	1 92
" " " labor " "	9 90

"	Rev. D. W. Goodale, school books,	$ 9 00
"	Asa C. Dort, 2 stoves and pipe for school room,	20 25
"	W. F. Page, labor on town house,	3 00
"	" " " school room,	2 30
"	Cheshire R. R. freight,	1 80
"	C. M. Silsby & Co., paint and painting band stand,	5 73
"	W. S. Savery, frescoing town hall,	50 00
"	M. E. Wright, stationery,	1 50
"	E. P. Kimball, team,	1 25
"	" " sheriff fees &c. on Jones & Ingalls case,	5 62
"	E. P. Kimball & Co., material for town house,	8 07
"	J. R. Stanley, car fare for tramps,	2 70
"	" " stationery, &c.	77
"	" " bounty on foxes and hawks,	4 50
"	" " wood for town hall,	16 00
"	" " stove pipe " "	2 00
"	W. G. & R. M. Silsby, lawn mower,	16 93
"	J. E. Royes, repairing book case,	1 00
"	J. M. Foster, plough broke on highway,	7 00
"	A. S. Clark, printing tax bills and postage,	3 47
"	Edmund Bemis, in full for collecting taxes in 1874,	3 00
"	C. C. Smith, express on reports. 1979,	25
"	Spencer & Co. for nails,	3 62
"	W. A Harris, for lock,	25
"	Insurance assessment,	2 96
"	Asa C. Dort, record book,	1 00
"	Edmund Bemis, invoice books and stationery,	3 62
"	" " car fare,	1 10
"	for copy of Town Officer,	2 50
	Discount on taxes, 1879,	128 90
		431 71

TOWN OFFICERS BILLS, 1878.

Edwin Buttrick, services as supervisor,	3 00
William W. Watson, " selectman,	4 00
C. C. Smith, " "	3 00
William A. Harris, " "	4 00
A. S. Clark, collecting taxes,	60 00
William Butler, services as auditor,	2 00
H. W. Farrar, " "	2 00
	78 00

NOTES AND INTEREST PAID.

Paid	Mrs. Sarah Haskell, interest on note,	$ 24 00
"	Thomas Wright's estate, note and interest.	1045 46
"	Mrs Maria Wheeler, endorsement on note,	15 00
"	Mrs. Ruth Haskell, " "	25 00
"	Mrs. Lucy Harris, note and interest,	382 33
"	Mrs. Maria Wheeler, " "	503 41
"	Mrs. Sally Wright, two notes and interest,	106 00
"	Jotham H. Holt, interest on note,	35 00
"	Mrs. Polly Amadon, note and interest,	25 50
"	Charles A. Hubbard, interest on note.	32 50
"	Mrs. Sarah Howe, endorsement on note.	20 00
"	Mrs Maria Wheeler, " "	24 00
"	Jotham H. Holt, interest on note,	25 00
"	" " " "	35 00
"	Mrs. Sarah Howe, endorsement on note,	180 00
"	Mrs. Ruth Haskell, note, paid E. Bemis, adm'r,	499 86
"	E. Bemis. George Stowell's note and interest,	1 72
"	Interest on school fund note,	24 00
		3004 38

RECAPITULATION.

Schools,	1155 77
State and County,	1731 13
Town Poor,	95 05
County Poor,	183 23
Fire Department,	105 31
Highways and Bridges,	228 64
Breaking Roads,	81 04
Abatement of Taxes,	44 24
Sundry town bills,	431 71
Town Officers bills, 1878,	78 00
Notes and Interest paid,	30 4 38
	7138 50

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

1879.	Asa C. Dort, Town Treasurer,		Dr.
Mar. 12	Outstanding Taxes in hands of Edmund Bemis, Collector for 1874,		$ 6 36
	Outstanding taxes in hands of E. P. Kimball, collector for 1875,		172 24
	Outstanding taxes in hands of Alva S. Clark, collector for 1878,		1073 80
	School fund note,		400 00
	Cash in treasury,		473 31
Apr. 23	Received of County for support of county paupers,		76 48
Taxes assessed for the year 1879:			
	State tax,	$ 948 00	
	County tax,	782 13	
	School tax,	839 23	
	Town charges,	1500 00	
	Non-resident highway tax,	148 86	
	Run above the sum voted,	109 56	4327 78
	Dog tax,		35 00
Oct. 28	Received from the county for the support of county paupers,		108 75
1880.			
Jan.	Received from the state railroad tax,		71 16
	" " " savings bank tax,		899 40
	" " Literary Fund,		77 70
" 7	Cash borrowed of Edmund Bemis,		400 00
Feb. 25	Interest on school fund note,		24 00
Received of H. W. Farrar for use of school room for Dist. No. 1,			20 00
"	D. W. Goodale, for books,		9 00
"	Daniel W. Farrar for stove,		5 00
"	E. P. Kimball, use of hay scales,		17 85
"	James R. Stanley, for use of town hall for the years 1878 & '79,		60 71
"	A. S. Clark, interest on 1878 taxes,		39 43
"	Moses E. Wright, licenses for dogs,		53 40
"	E. Buttrick & Co., use of derrick,		3 50
"	A. S. Clark, taxes not charged to collector, assessed in 1878,		18 11
			8372 93

ASA C. DORT, Town Treasurer,	CR.
By Taxes in the hands of E. P. Kimball, coll. 1875,	$ 134 63
" " A. S. Clark, " 1879,	696 78
School fund note,	400 00
Payment of 122 orders of the selectmen,	7138 50
Cash in the treasury, Feb. 27, 1880,	3 02
	8372 93

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN, MARCH 1, 1880.

Maria Wheeler, note and interest,	823 72
Sarah Howe, " "	1068 52
Edmund Bemis, " "	1897 87
Jotham H. Holt, " "	1417 10
C. A. Hubbard, " "	671 48
Sarah Haskell, " "	421 00
E. A. Bourn, " "	297 39
Jotham H. Holt, " "	507 91
Nancy B. Wheeler, do. "	112 36
Edmund Bemis, " "	402 94
School fund note,	400 00
Due E. P. Kimball, collecting taxes, 1875.	50 00
A. S. Clark, " " 1879,	60 00
Mrs. Oliver P. Whitcomb, boarding and clothing George Stowell,	60 00
Edmund Bemis, services as selectman for 1879,	56 25
James R. Stanley, " " "	43 11
Henry W. Farrar, " " "	37 50
Asa C. Dort, " town treasurer, "	20 00
Moses E. Wright, " town clerk, "	20 00
Rev. D. W. Goodale, " supt. school com.,	35 00
Rev. Daniel F. R. Herrick, (by estimation,) supt. school committe,	15 00
William Butler, auditor,	1 50
William G. Silsby, "	1 50
Estimated cost of printing reports,	20 00
School District No. 1,	69 44
" " 2,	3 70
" " 4,	16 87
William A. Harris, services as sexton, for 1879,	23 98
Town of Andover, (by estimation,) for support of Martha Harrington,	12 00
W. H. Spalter & Co., for order book,	3 00
J. S. Taft & Co. for gravel,	2 00
J. B. Fisher, work on town house roof and slate,	17 75
Troy Blanket Co., work on highway,	3 60
	8592 49

AVAILABLE ASSETS OF THE TOWN MARCH 1, 1880.

Outstanding taxes in the hands of E. P. Kimball, coll., 1875,	$134 63
" " " A. S. Clark, " 1879,	696 78
Due from the county for snpport of county paupers,	52 21
" Elkanah Lane, for use of town derrick,	6 00
Cash in hands of treasurer,	3 02
	892 64

ASSETS, BUT NOT AVAILABLE.

Due from the United States,	1386 00
Furniture used by Mrs. Putney,	20 00
Value of hay scales,	300 00
Town meadow,	10 00
Town derrick,	250 00
Patent road scraper,	60 00
	2026 00

Total liabilities of the town March 1, 1880,	8592 49
Available assets subtracted,	892 64
Indebtedness of the town March 1, 1880,	7699 85
Indebtedness of the town, March 1, 1879, $8,852 04.	

All of which is respectfully submitted,

EDMUND BEMIS,
JAMES R. STANLEY,
HENRY W. FARRAR, } Selectmen of Troy.

We have this twenty-eighth day of February, A. D. 1880, carefully examined and compared the reports of the Selectmen and Town Treasurer and find them correctly cast with the proper vouchers.

WILLIAM BUTLER,
W. G. SILSBY, } Auditors.

Engineer's Report.

In compliance with the usual custom, we hereby submit the following report of the affairs of this department for the year ending March 1, 1880:

The engine is in good repair and in working order. There is 300 feet of good hose and 250 feet of poor hose There is to-day in the fire company 32 men. This has been a fortunate year for fires. We have had but two slight fires, one at E. Buttrick & Co.'s dry-house, and one at the tannery. We would recommend the town to buy 200 feet new hose, which is really needed. For expense of this department see selectmen's report on another page.

Below we give an inventory of the property in the possession of this department.

Hamilton engine and hose carriage,	$ 500 00
300 feet hose,	300 00
250 feet poor hose,	50 00
Old hand engine,	25 00
Fire hook, chain and rope,	5 00
2 Stoves and pipe,	10 00
1 Sled,	50 00
	940 00

C. W. WHITNEY,
C. W. BROWN,
A. C. DORT,
W. F. PAGE,
GEORGE BROWN.

School Report.

The Annual Report of Schools in the town of TROY, for the year ending March 1, 1880, is herein respectfully submitted.

The schools have had a prosperous year. With one exception the same teacher has been retained in the same school throughout the year. This has been an advantage to the schools.

The schools in District No. 1 have gained by being graded, yet it is difficult to balance the two primaries in numbers, with the present arrangement. For the best results from the money expended one building is needed to accommodate the three schools. Then we could have three grades; this would allow more time to be given each class, so that in the same time the scholars would acquire a better education. Such an improvement should be kept in view to be accomplished at the earliest opportunity.

The Committee recommend an appropriation for schools during the coming year, sufficient to furnish three terms of ten weeks each, with terms for the Grammar department of twelve weeks each. It seems a waste of time to allow nearly one half the year to be included in one long vacation, with no school except for the older scholars. Last year afforded NINETEEN weeks of schooling and THIRTY-THREE of vacation. Economy should lead us to furnish more schooling to the younger children, because their time is of greater value to parents when they become older. What is now acquired by scholars from the age of fifteen to nineteen, might be acquired between the ages of twelve and fifteen, if more schooling was afforded the younger scholars. Thus valuable time would be saved and an opportunity afforded to those who desire it for advanced studies.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

NORTH PRIMARY DIVISION.——Teacher, Miss Lillian A. Wright. Duration of Spring term, 10 weeks; scholars, 36; average attendance, 32. Fall term, 9 weeks; scholars, 47; average attendance, 39. The manner of teaching and the method, the quality of the instruction given, and the discipline maintained by love

for the teacher, as well as the progress made, are to be praised as excellent. The scholars are in choice hands when this teacher presides in the school-room.

South Primary Division.—Teacher, Miss Abbie J. Whittier. Duration of Spring term. 9 1-2 weeks; scholars, 44; average attendance, 32. Fall term, 9 weeks; scholars, 40; average attendance, 36. The progress made in the studies and the knowledge manifested showed careful instruction and faithful devotion to her work by the teacher under adverse conditions. A spirit of rebellion, manifested by a few boys, called for a firm hand, notwithstanding some of the parents were unwilling that unruly children should be punished, and upheld the children in disobedience to the teacher. With this exception in discipline the school was satisfactory.

Grammar Department.—Teacher, Mrs. L. B. Wright. Duration of Spring term, 10 weeks; scholars, 32; average attendance, 25. Fall term, 10 weeks; scholars, 33; average attendance, 30. Winter term, 11 weeks; scholars, 53; average attendance, 44. Continued excellence this year, as in the past, characterises the whole conduct of the school by its skillful teacher. A high standard of excellence has been attained and steadily maintained, in the instruction given, producing scholars of a like order with the teacher. It is well for parents to remember that scholars attending this school ought to begin the first week of the term and *remain until its close.* In no other way can the best results be obtained. H. W. Farrar is prudential committee.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Spring Term.—Teacher, Miss Franc E. York. Duration of term, 6 weeks; scholars, 5; average attendance, 5, (nearly). This school was not examined at its close, the committee failing to receive notice. We can only say that the school started well.

Fall Term.—Teacher, Warren N. Clark. Duration of term, 11 weeks; scholars, 7; average attendance, 6.5 The committe cannot praise, they will not criticise. We feel that Mr. Clark is not called to be a teacher. Prudential committee, Luke C. Clark.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Teacher, Miss Alice L. Bemis. Duration of Spring term, 9 weeks; scholars, 12; average attendance, 9. Fall term, 10 weeks; scholars, 18; average attendance, 15. Miss Bemis gave general satisfaction to parents and committee, and the school prospered under her management. Prudential committee, Edmund Bemis.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Teacher, L. Olive Barrus. Duration of Spring term, 9 weeks; scholars, 25; average attendance, 20. Fall term, 10 weeks; scholars, 30; average attendance, 27. The scholars in this district have been favored with superior instruction during the two terms taught by Miss Barrus. There was a readiness of reply to all questions, that showed careful and persistent labor on the part of teacher and scholar. The whole conduct of the school merits praise. This district has greatly improved its school-room, at an expense of $144. Modern desks add to the appearnce of the room, as well as to the comfort and pleasure of the scholars. With new paper and fresh paint, in addition to the new desks, the school-room has become cheerful and attractive. Prudential committee, Stillman Taylor.

D. W. GOODALE, Supt. School Committee.

Statistics of Spring Term.

NUMBER OF DISTRICT.	1			2	3	4
GRADE.	Grammar Department.	North Primary.	South Primary.			
Whole number of Pupils,	32	36	44	5	12	23
Average Attendance,	25	32	32	5	9	20
Boys,	12	20	24	2	5	11
Girls,	20	16	20	3	7	12
Length of school in Weeks,	10	10	9½	6	9	9
Wages of teacher per Month,	$48	$32	$32	$20	$16	$28
Absence of scholars in Days,	333	194	529	5	231	151
Number of children in District between 5 and 15 years not attending School,	0	0	0	0	2	5
Tardiness,	1	6	6	0	0	0
Number not Absent,	8	12	5	3	0	7
Number of visits by citizens during Term-time,	14	18	12	12	20	55
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,	4	6	2	0	1	2
Number of visits by Superintending School Committee,	4	2	2	1	2	2
Number of scholars studying Reading,	32	36	44	5	12	Not reported.
" " " Spelling,	32	36	44	5	12	
" " " Penmanship,		33	30	1	7	
" " " Arithmetic,	32	28	19	5	10	
" " " Geography,	32	15	10	1	5	
" " " Grammar,	28	8	8	0	2	
" " " History,	24	0	0	0	1	
" " " Composition,	7	0	0	0	0	

Statistics of Fall Term.

NUMBER OF DISTRICT.	1				2	3	4
GRADE.	Grammar Dept. Fall Term	Grammar Dept. Winter Term.	North Primary.	South Primary.			
Whole number of Pupils,	33	73	47	40	7	20	30
Average Attendance,	30	44	40	37	6.5	15	27
Boys,	13	26	23	22	4	12	16
Girls,	20	27	24	18	3	8	14
Length of school in Weeks,	10	11	9	9	11	10	10
Wages of teacher per Month,	$48	$56	$28	$28	$20	$20	$30
Absence of scholars in Days,	157	492	320	0	22	236	188
Number of children in District between 5 and 15 years not attending School,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tardiness,	1	4	11	6	5	16	9
Number not Absent,	10	11	13	6	3	0	5
Number of visits by citizens during Term-time,	27	32	22	12	32	11	29
Number of visits by Prudential Committee,	3	4	2	2	0	1	2
Number of visits by Superintending School Committee	3	3	2	2	2	2	2
Number of scholars studying Reading,	33	53	47	40	7	20	Not reported.
" " " Spelling,	33	53	47	40	7	20	
" " " Penmanship,	0	0	33	26	3	14	
" " " Arithmetic,	32	48	37	27	7	16	
" " " Geography,	32	30	22	17	3	7	
" " " Grammar,	33	53	16	8	2	4	
" " " History,	33	32	0	0	0	4	
" " " Composition,	33	53	0	0	0	0	